



# COUNTDOWN TO THE FOURTH!

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		<b>JUNE</b> 1		2	3	4 <b>KICKOFF:</b> Learn about the Declaration of Independence. Read it! Take a virtual tour of the National Archives at archives.gov.
<b>5</b> <i>DINNERTIME DISCUSSION:</i> What makes our country different from others?	<b>6</b> <i>AMERICAN HISTORY:</i> Do you know what rules England imposed on the colonists that led to the American Revolution?	<b>7</b> <i>SYMBOLS &amp; TRADITIONS:</i> Red, White, and Blue! Find out what the colors represent!	<b>8</b> <i>DO SOMETHING:</i> Listen to a kid-friendly podcast about our country's history.	<b>9</b> <i>CIVICS TIME:</i> It's an election year! When is your state's primary? Find out and mark it on your calendar.	<b>10</b> <i>VETERAN APPRECIATION:</i> Is there a military family you know who could use a boost? Write them thank you notes for their sacrifices.	<b>11</b> <i>SEE AMERICA:</i> Visit a national or state park (or make plans to visit one later this summer).
<b>12</b> <i>DINNERTIME DISCUSSION:</i> Our country is like a family. Everyone has to pitch in or it doesn't work. What can you do to help?	<b>13</b> <i>AMERICAN HISTORY:</i> Tomorrow is Flag Day. Learn about what the stars and stripes represent.	<b>14</b> <b>HAPPY FLAG DAY!</b> Fly a flag from dawn until dusk.	<b>15</b> <i>DO SOMETHING:</i> Learn all the verses of a patriotic song!	<b>16</b> <i>CIVICS TIME:</i> Research what's on the ballot in your state's upcoming election.	<b>17</b> <i>VETERAN APPRECIATION:</i> Visit a local cemetery. Identify the graves marked as having served in war. Place flags or flowers on gravesites of the fallen.	<b>18</b> <i>SEE AMERICA:</i> Take your family on a tour of your city/town. Point out government buildings, monuments, etc.
<b>19</b> <b>IT'S JUNETEENTH!</b> Learn what that means and discuss freedoms and inequality in America.	<b>20</b> <i>AMERICAN HISTORY:</i> Do you know the platform for our two main political parties? If not, look them up!	<b>21</b> <i>SYMBOLS &amp; TRADITIONS:</i> Does your family know the Pledge of Allegiance? Recite it and talk about what it means.	<b>22</b> <i>DO SOMETHING:</i> Plan a patriotic craft you can do with your kids/grandkids.	<b>23</b> <i>CIVICS TIME:</i> Sign up to volunteer on a campaign for someone on the ballot or find a way to volunteer in your community.	<b>24</b> <i>VETERAN APPRECIATION:</i> Learn about an ancestor who served. How can you honor them?	<b>25</b> <i>SEE AMERICA:</i> Visit a historical site or museum. If you don't live near one, visit one virtually.
<b>26</b> <i>DINNERTIME DISCUSSION:</i> What do you love most about our country? What do you wish you could change? What's something you can do today to change it?	<b>27</b> <i>AMERICAN HISTORY:</i> Can you name all the U.S. presidents or first ladies? Work backward and see how far you get.	<b>28</b> <i>SYMBOLS &amp; TRADITIONS:</i> Learn why the bald eagle was chosen as America's national bird and why it is such an iconic symbol.	<b>29</b> <i>DO SOMETHING:</i> Would you pass the U.S. citizenship test? Take a practice test to find out.	<b>30</b> <i>CIVICS TIME:</i> Call or write an email to your member of Congress or to the president of the United States.	<b>JULY</b> 1	
<b>3</b> <i>DINNERTIME DISCUSSION:</i> Let your children help plan 4th celebrations. Pick food, fireworks. What else can you do to celebrate?	<b>4</b> <b>INDEPENDENCE DAY:</b> During fireworks, take a moment to remember what you're celebrating and those who sacrificed for our freedoms!					<b>2</b> <i>SEE AMERICA:</i> Did you know TODAY is the actual anniversary of declaring independence? Learn what actually happened on the 4th. Visit a local landmark or go on a hike to celebrate.



**WEEKLY GOAL:**  
DECORATE YOUR HOUSE IN RED, WHITE, AND BLUE. HANG A PICTURE OF SOMETHING THAT REMINDS YOU OF WHY YOU LOVE OUR COUNTRY.

**WEEKLY GOAL:**  
AVOID ARGUING ABOUT POLITICS, ONLINE OR IN PERSON. INSTEAD, SEEK COMMON GROUND.

**WEEKLY GOAL:**  
KEEP A RUNNING LIST OF FREEDOMS YOU'RE GRATEFUL FOR POSTED ON YOUR FRIDGE.

**WEEKLY GOAL:**  
LISTEN TO PATRIOTIC MUSIC ALL WEEK LONG!

**WEEKLY GOAL:**  
MAKE AN EXTRA EFFORT TO PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY & LEADERS.